

FLOOD MENACE THREATENS OHIO CITIES

NEWPORT HIGH WINS ANOTHER DOUBLE-HEADER

Richford Boys' and Girls' Teams Both Beaten By Superior Play

Newport High school won another double header Friday evening, when both the boys' and the girls' basketball teams from Richford High school were defeated at Old School Hall. The outcome of the boys' contest was 59 to 19, while the girls won their game by the closer score of 13 to 1.

After a few minutes of play it became very evident that Newport had it all over the visitors in speed and in handling the ball. Gardner broke the ice with a goal from the foul line. The "Slim" Hill and "Larry" Gardner settled down to some deadly shooting. Hill, especially pulled off some sensational heaves into the mesh.

Early in the game Captain "Jim" Addison received a scalp wound, which luckily was not serious enough to warrant his removal from the contest. Addison and Lance both put up a stone-wall defense in the Newport back field. Richford battered in vain against the superior Border City defense.

Livingston the fast visiting pivot man, managed to break away from Albee for six baskets but the latter went him two better with his total of eight. The first half ended 31 to 10 in Newport's favor.

The second period was productive of even better team work on the part of the Border City lads, and the Richford players were completely at sea in their endeavor to cope with the local quintet.

The score:

N. H. S.—59

Richford S.—19

Referee, Akin, Scorer, Spencer.

Time, 2—15 minute periods.

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THE WAY IT CAME TO MR. TITWAD

By MORRIS



RETURN \$4000 NOTES BEFORE POLICE CAN ACT

Newport's Woman's Safety Box Rifled But Contents Found

Mrs. Fred Stevens of Main street made the discovery Friday forenoon that government bonds, bank books, and negotiable notes, to the amount of nearly \$4000 were missing from her home.

She immediately reported the matter to Sheriff E. J. Hill and the police.

The exact time of the robbery is unknown as Mrs. Stevens had not unlocked her safety box since some time in November. Proper forenoon she felt impelled to do so, and found the box had been rifled of most of its valuable contents.

The safety box was a strong tin box with a lock which was kept in a chest, also locked. The keys to both were hidden in a supposedly safe place.

The stolen papers were a \$200 gold bond, a note from the city of Newport for \$1400 and three bank notes on St. Johnsbury, Woodville and Newport banks.

When Mrs. Stevens went to unlock the chest she found the keys in the usual place and had no suspicions until she had opened the box.

Late Friday evening after Mrs. Stevens had returned from Main street where she had attended the exercises of the Community Christmas tree, she found the missing papers in plain sight, evidently left there during her absence.

GREAT WATERPOWER PROJECT OPENED

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Dec. 24.—Water was turned into the canal of the Ontario Hydro-Electric development of power at the Queenstown plant will begin next Wednesday. Representatives of the Canadian government will attend the public exercises on Wednesday. Construction work has been in progress on the power project since 1914.

PHILADELPHIA TO BE DRYEST EVER

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—Fifty prohibition agents clad in conventional black and led by Harvey L. Duncan, assistant prohibition director of Philadelphia, will make their debut in the principal hotels and cafes of the city tonight. "We mean to make this the driest on record in Philadelphia," said Director Duncan.

BRANDY FLAVOR FOR PIES ON WEST COAST

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Christmas pies will contain liquor, local pie bakers having secured them from the permission under the law to flavor their pies with brandy from the government storehouse. More than 25,000 gallons of brandy were withdrawn in the first three days after the order was promulgated. Tom Brown, the federal director, said each baker was allowed 100 gallons.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN WINS IN THE BIBLE CASE

Jury Awards Her \$51.00 Damages from Philip Goldberg

Mrs. Minnie Goldstein won in her case in county court against Philip Goldberg.

At 12:15 Friday the jury returned a verdict for her to recover \$51 compensatory damages and \$50 exemplary damages. The sum sued for was \$1000.

The evidence in the case was finished and two arguments made Friday afternoon. Mr. Searles and Mr. Conant made their arguments Saturday morning. The judges charge closed and the jury took the case at 11 o'clock.

E. P. Brown was appointed foreman of the jury and the other members of the panel were: C. E. Blodgett, R. A. Cramer, H. N. Curtis, Albert E. Currier, Paul Gibson, F. B. Hastings, Aldis P. Ladd, A. A. Lewis, Luther Murray, L. G. Roundy, Samuel G. Wilson.

An interesting bit of evidence of peculiar interest developed in the testimony. The evidence tended to show that when Mr. Goldberg called at the Goldstein home to get the Bible on the night in question he was in considerable haste. It was suggested that he was in a hurry to get away with the Bible because Mrs. Goldstein had threatened to call the police. The defendant's evidence tended to show that this was not the real cause for hurry but that the hour was getting late and according to the Jewish law the Bible to be used in the service could not be moved from place to place after sundown. Evidence showed that he called to get the Bible at 5:30 and had it in place in his home ready for the next day's ceremonies at 5:45. The Jewish calendar showed that the sun set at 5:53 on that day, Friday.

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CHRISTMAS MUSIC AT THE CHURCHES

With Programs for the Various Sunday Services

SOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Christmas Morning Service. Prelude, Christmas Pastoral.

Processional. Monney.

Invocation.

Antiphon, Arise Thou for Thy Light is Come. Back.

Special Program, "It Shall be to All Peoples."

Christmas Story, written by Rev. Jay T. Stocking, "Boniface and Keep-it-all."

In the Christmas service the heralds are Miss Evelyn Adams and Miss Edna Day.

Members of the Primary department having parts are Eunice Sayre, David Drummond, Irene Perrigard, Jean Touchette, Gilbert Johnson, Marjorie Hoar and Claire Horton.

The group of Juniors consists of George Braden, Wesley Calderwood, Charles Emery, Wayne Lewis, and Bailey Brown.

Recitation will also be given by Clark Johnson, Edwin Macomber, and Dorothy Goss.

Mary Brooks, Paul Washburn, Maurice Capen, John Grant and Gertrude Howe will suggest ways of "Sharing the Gifts," and also take up the morning offering assisted by Samuel Brook.

The foreigners are from Mrs. Brooks' class of girls with the reading by Miss Alma Reed.

Offertory Anthem, While All Things Were in Quiet Silence.

Rendered by the Choir.

Postlude, Triumphal March.

Costa.

NORTH CONGREGATIONAL

10:30 A. M. Service.

Bullard's Cantata, "The Infant King" will be sung by the following chorus, under the direction of Frank H. Brooks, with A. H. Brooks organist, Soemano; Miss Bertha Silby, Mrs. Hazel Levesque, Mrs. R. E. Sherry, Mrs. Homer E. Smith, Mrs. Cecil Palmer, Contraltos: Mrs. Ida P. Brooks, Mrs. W. E. Blodgett, Mrs. G. C. Carr, Mrs. H. R. Blodgett, Tenors: Roy Calderwood, Collin.

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HARDWICK IS DEFEATED IN FAST CONTEST

Their Winning Streak of Seven Basketball Games Broken

Hardwick's winning streak of seven straight victories both on the road and at home was broken at the Armory Friday evening by the local American Legion-Company D basketball team by the score of 33 to 18. The visitors came to St. Johnsbury with a fine aggregation of youthful players, who displayed a good example of clean hard basketball. They gave the local boys plenty of competition throughout the evening. During the first two periods, they battled on fast, even terms with the more experienced St. Johnsbury men.

Much credit is due the visiting quintet, because everyone is a strictly local boy. Each claim, his name in or near Hardwick, and it is due to the fine co-operation efforts of the boys that they have managed to produce such a smooth working machine.

A perceptible difference in the speeding up of the play was noticed at the Armory Friday evening, on account of the protection offered at both ends of the court by the newly installed padding over the steam pipes and walls. No longer does a player rushing down the floor have to slow up for fear of crashing into the solid bricks. The padding is arranged on pulleys so that it may be hauled up and out of the way when not needed.

The fans saw Gosiant playing his first full game this season. He filled the position at right guard vacated by "Puss" Connor. Although Gosiant was handicapped by the fact that he has been playing against the first quintet and has not had the benefit of working with them, yet he gave promise of filling very acceptably the shoes of his predecessor. He did well in holding to four baskets. Campbell, who is a blue streak on the floor, "Whitney" Dumas is improving constantly. He played a fast guarding game, yet was always in the right place at the right time. When a long shot into the mesh was needed to keep St. Johnsbury well in the lead "Whitney" was there to arch into the rim. Yet no sooner had he shot for the hoop than he was off like a streak to guard his man, Robb, the fast visiting left forward.

Under the direction of Coach Burch, the locals played with their heads up throughout the contest. Time after time the ball was shuttled back and forth in the St. Johnsbury backfield until the Hardwick defense was drawn out from under the basket. Then with a clear field, Coach Burch sent one of his sure shots down the floor for a try at the basket. This play worked beautifully. There was a continual call for strategy of this kind in order to take the measure of the well drilled visiting contingent.

"Lucky" Fisk and Marshall were tied with scoring honors every. Each tallied five baskets apiece. Everyone of the locals had the contest well in hand at all times. FIRST PERIOD. Securing early possession of the ball, St. Johnsbury started a series of baffling passes with which Hardwick was at a loss to cope. The locals were trying to draw the visitors out from under the basket to warrant a dash down the court. Robb had the first real opportunity to score, following a dribble down the floor. His toss at the rim rolled around but failed to drop within. Fisk and Burch both missed attempts at the hoop, but Campbell receiving a pass, darted for his basket and tallied the first goal for his team.

Huntington, the Hardwick pivot, leaped into the air, intercepted a pass that Dumas meant for Marshall and dashed back down the hall, dropping in the second goal. "Whitney" immediately atoned for his misdeed by arching a long shot from the center of the floor cleanly into the mesh. The locals were beginning to get their scoring artillery into action. Burch caught himself under his basket. Gosiant hurled a speedy lateral pass direct to his chief and the latter scored easily. Dumas tallied again, when Burch passed back to him, as he waited in the St. Johnsbury backfield. Marshall snared another basket from a scrimmage under his own basket. Just before the whistle blew for the first period Campbell scored a short shot. Score at end of first period 11 to 6.

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Three Days of Rain Cause River To Rise Nearly To Flood Stage In 24 Hours

WHITE RIVER WILL BATTLE HERE MONDAY

Legion-Co. D Basketeers Tackle Crack Quintet In Battle Royal

If ever Coach Chick Burch and his basketeers have to step lively again on their own home court, they will have to strive with all the skill and finesse that they have acquired this season in order to emerge victors over the White River Junction basketball team. This organization will display its wares at the Armory Monday evening, and from the initial blast of the whistle there will be no end of exciting play. The hardest fought contest of the season is predicted.

White River Junction has such undisputed stars as "Low" Wachter, one of the foremost exponents of the court game in the United States. To pal along with Wachter will be Yuill, one of the greatest scoring forwards that ever wore the colors of the big Green at Dartmouth. Then there will be "Nels" Browne, a husky scintillating guard, who can shoot with unusual facility. Stewart, Henley and Shanahan will round out this exceptional quintet.

If this team has been practicing together at all this season, it will soon be apparent Monday evening that Coach Burch's proteges will have to travel at top speed in order to win. Familiar with their own court, the fans can look for the premier basketball engagement of the season. A crowd that promises to exceed in size any that has attended a game this season will be on hand to cheer the local boys.

It is apparent that the instructions laid down by Coach Burch are gradually taking effect. The contest Friday evening was a good indication that the locals are playing heads-up basketball at all times. The tendency to wildness which characterized the work of some basketball teams in North-eastern Vermont in former years, was altogether lacking Friday evening. There was very little of the rough and tumble stuff, in spite of the fact that there was some proneness on the part of the locals to hold, attributable to the close guarding game they were playing.

"Whitney" Dumas, by his heady work in the St. Johnsbury back court, is proving a capable understudy of Burch. Dumas gave promise of being a real star before the present season is over. With the all around improvement in the work of the American Legion-Co. D quintet, the fans can rest assured that a real, head-on game will be seen Monday night.

AMERICAN PLAN FOR SUBMARINES PROPOSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The American plan for the limitation of submarines was presented today to the naval armament committee of the five powers of the conference. The program proposed a submarine tonnage of approximately 50,000 tons each for Great Britain and the United States and the existing tonnage for France, Japan and Italy. The American plan would cut the existing submarine tonnage of the United States and Great Britain about one-third, leaving the other three great powers in their present state. France would have 42,000 tons, Japan 32,000 tons and Italy 22,000 tons. The British proposal for the total abolition of submarine tonnage would have been placed on file without definite action and the committee will discuss the American plan.

ST JOHNSBURY LOCALS

Mrs. Arthur E. Stone had the misfortune to slip on the ice near her home Friday afternoon and break her right wrist. It was impossible to take her home as the hot water heater broke down the day before and Mrs. Stone is now at the home of Dr. George F. Cheney, Mr. and Mrs. Stone were planning to spend Christmas with their daughter in Brattleboro, but Mrs. Stone will take the trip alone. A daughter was born Saturday morning to Rev. and Mrs. A. S. Woodworth at the Fitch Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Horner have gone to Woodville, N. H., to remain over the holiday. Miss Charissa Howe is home from the University of Vermont to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Howe.

Nine Persons Killed and Scores Injured In Wind Storm In Farm District of Arkansas

(By the Associated Press)

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 24.—This city faced a flood menace today as a result of a three-day down-pour of rain. The Ohio river is rising at an unprecedented rate.

At 7 o'clock this morning the gauges at Cincinnati stood at 45 feet, a rise of 18 feet in 24 hours. The flood stage—50 feet—will be reached in a few hours, the weather bureau stated.

Mill Creek and the big little Miami rivers and other tributaries are beyond their banks today and were pouring great volumes of water into the Ohio.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Nine persons—one white man and eight negroes—killed, more than a score injured and property damage estimated at \$200,000 was today the known result of a wind storm which late yesterday swept thru half a dozen farm settlements in Crittenden county, Ark., across the Mississippi river from this city.

ATTEMPT TO MAKE ALIEN'S STAY PERMANENT

YOUNGOWN, O., Dec. 24.—Representative Albert Johnson, Republican, Washington, will introduce a resolution when the house re-convenes to make permanent the temporary 90-day relief granted yesterday to 1100 aliens held at Ellis Island.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

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Stock	Opening	1 p. m.
Am. Tel. and Tel.	113 1/2	113 1/2
American Tobacco	132 1/4	132 1/4
American Woolen	75	75
Anaconda	49 1/2	49 1/2
Atchafson	92	91 1/2
Baltimore and Ohio	35	35
Baldwin Locomotive	95 1/2	96
Canadian Pacific	119 1/2	119 1/2
Cruible Steel	65	65 1/2
Famous Players	76 1/2	77 1/2
General Motors	107 1/2	108
General Electric	139 1/2	139 1/2
Invisible	13 1/2	14
Inspiration	39 1/2	40
Mexican Petroleum	113 1/2	113 1/2
Middle States Oil	13 1/2	13 1/2
National Leather	2	2
New Haven	12	12 1/2
New York Central	72 1/2	73
Northern Pacific	78 1/2	78 1/2
Pennsylvania	33 1/2	33 1/2
Pierce Arrow	13 1/2	13 1/2
Reading	72 1/2	72 1/2
Retail Stores	53	53
Sinclair	21 1/2	22
Studebaker	75 1/2	76
United Drug	72 1/2	72 1/2
Union Pacific	124 1/2	125
U. S. Steel Com	83 1/2	83 1/2
Utah	63 1/2	63 1/2
Swift	98	98
Callahan Zinc	6	6

Owing to Monday, Dec. 26th, being observed as Christmas, no paper will be issued on that day.

NOTICE

Our lease having expired we are unable to renew it and our store will be closed permanently with the end of business today. We wish to thank our customers for their generous patronage. Our Stock Will Be Closed Out Tonight at COST PRICES.

People's Market George LaPoint Proprietor.

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GREETINGS

At this season our thoughts go out in gratitude to our friends who have made the past year's work possible. May the coming year bring you genuine happiness and prosperity.

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